

*These notes refer to the Licensing Act 2003 (c.17)
which received Royal Assent on 10 July 2003*

LICENSING ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 9: Miscellaneous and Supplementary

Section 174 – Certifying premises on grounds of national security

266. Ministers of Cabinet rank, or the Attorney General, may grant a certificate in respect of any premises on the grounds of national security. The effect of the certificate is that activities carried on at the premises are not “licensable activities” for the purposes of the Act (see section 173(1)(g)). This power may be used in circumstances where the inspection of a particular premises, for purposes of the licensing regime, would give rise to a security risk.